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Publications: Future Trade in the Far
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28, 1871, son of late Gen. the Right

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The Pierrot of the Minnie, produced Worcester Festival, 1908; Overture to a Greek Tragedy; Hebridean Symphony, produced Glasgow, 1910; *Pastoral in Arcady*, produced Glasgow, 1911; various songs and part-songs for

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was in the employ of the Chinese Maritime Customs and was stationed at Shanghai. Mrs. Burnett resided in Hong Kong and when she grew older she took up employment at Messrs. Stockhausen & Co. From

The funeral passes the Monument at 5 p.m. to-day.

London, Yesterday.
The Exchange returns for
nine months ended to-night,
a deficit of nearly \$170,000,000.
Reuter.

80 dissentients, including Sri Vasaalengar and Subash Bose, walked out and formed "the Congress Democratic Party," but decided to carry out the congress programme in principle. —Renter.

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SHIPWRECKS AND FLOODS IN BRITAIN

THOUSANDS OF ACRES FLOODED
BY RISING RIVERS

BATTERED BY THE GALE

London, Yesterday.
Extensive flooding is reported from the upper part of the Thames Valley and in North Wales and the neighbourhood of York. The River Ouse at York yesterday reached its highest point for the past 25 years. Thousands of acres of land are flooded by the overflowing of the Ouse, Derwent and Foss Rivers. Cottage property business and other premises on the banks of the Ouse have had their basements and ground floors flooded, and there was considerable alarm among the poorer classes at the rapid rate of the rise.

As a result of the week-end storm much wreckage has been washed up at various parts of the English coast. A large ship's boat was washed ashore yesterday, equipped with provisions, lifebelts, and long wire ropes. It bore the name of "Tersonnet." There was nobody in the boat, the sails of which were torn.

A derelict wooden vessel, timber laden, and floating bottom up, drove ashore against the high cliffs at Scousburgh, Shetland. It was impossible to reach the wreck to ascertain the name of the ship or whether there were any bodies on board. A crippled three-masted motor schooner of Hamburg was seen struggling round the South Foreland during the gale in the Channel yesterday morning. The vessel was much damaged, but declined assistance.—British Wireless Service.

DINOSAUR FOUND IN SPAIN

MAY ALTER THEORY OF ORIGIN
OF NORTH AFRICA

300,000 YEARS OLD

Casablanca, Yesterday.
The skeleton of a dinosaur, thirty feet long, and six broad, has been discovered near Tetuan. It is apparently over 300,000 years old, which seems to dispose of existing theories regarding the geological origin of North Africa. A scientific mission is going out to investigate.—Reuter.

[The dinosaur was a mammal-like reptile with a large body, bearing four limbs on all of which, or on the hinder pair only, the creature moved. Their remains, which show bird and mammal relationships, are widely distributed in deposits ranging from the Triassic to Cretaceous Ages, especially in America and Belgium. All were terrestrial, but some, such as the gigantic *Diplacodon*, *Brontosaurus* (50 feet), and *Iguanodon* (28 feet), were herbivorous and probably amphibious, while *Loxotarsus* and *Megalosaurus* were fiercely carnivorous; examples of the former stood 18 feet high.]

HISTORIAN'S DEATH

Passing Of Professor
E. R. Turner

Baltimore, Yesterday.
The death has occurred, at the age of 49, of Dr. Edward Raymond Turner, Ph.D., Professor of European History, Johns Hopkins University, since 1925.—Reuter's American Service.
[Dr. Turner, who made a special study of the Cabinet system of Britain and Europe, was the author of numerous historical works including "Ireland and England," "Europe," "The Privy Council of England in the Seventeenth Century,"]

JAPANESE NAVAL DEMANDS

"ADEQUATE FOR DEFENCE, BUT
INADEQUATE FOR AGGRESSION"

MAY GIVE UP SUBMARINES

Ottawa, Yesterday.
An amplification of the Japanese views on disarmament was made by Mr. Tokugawa, the Japanese Minister to Canada, who returned from Washington, where he met the Japanese delegates.

Mr. Tokugawa declares that Japan's requirements are "adequate for defence, but inadequate for aggression." Japan's demand for an auxiliary ship ratio of 70 per cent. of that maintained by the strongest navy was all the more justifiable, as Japan at the Washington Conference made a sacrifice by allowing her demand of 70 per cent. on capital ships to be whittled down to 60 per cent. Japan had no intention of taking any initiative in London to alter her Washington Conference capital ship ratio. Japan was willing to abandon her existing programme of building more submarines, but deemed it necessary to retain practically her present strength.

Mr. Tokugawa said that as a result of the preliminary conversations of Japanese and American representatives, he believed that both countries would come perfectly to understand the mutual position on all important points.—Reuter.

The Attitude of Spain
Madrid, Yesterday.
The attitude of Spain to the Naval Conference was clarified by a semi-official statement declaring that Spain does not seek to attend the Conference.

The Spanish Government has communicated with the British, French, and Italian Governments requesting that, if the Mediterranean question is raised in London, due regard to Spain's interest there will be observed.—Reuter.

[An earlier message stated: It is generally believed that General Primo de Rivera is negotiating for a seat at the forthcoming Naval Conference. It is understood that he considers that Spain, owing to her history, geographical position, and national importance is entitled to be represented at the Conference, particularly in view of the fact that she has an ambitious naval construction programme, and aims at increasing her merchant fleet.]

THEFT OF VAN DYCK MASTERPIECE

DISAPPEARS IN TRANSIT TO
LONDON DEALER

OWNER HEART-BROKEN

London, Yesterday.
The Van Dyck masterpiece "Concert des Anges," valued at about £30,000 disappeared on route to London from Brussels. A West End art dealer, to whom it was consigned for sale, was amazed on opening the packing case to discover an empty frame.

Brussels, Yesterday.
Monsieur Bechbach, the owner of the masterpiece, told Reuter that he is heart-broken at the mysterious loss of the picture, which, it is understood, was insured for only a quarter of its market value. M. Bechbach declared that he handed the packing case, containing the picture, to the despatching agents on December 15. It was known that the case was detained for some days at Antwerp, and lay in the steamship's hold for a few days in the London docks.—Reuter.

DISCOVERY OF THE CITY OF SODOM

TRACES OF ADVANCED TYPE OF
CIVILIZATION

ROMAN CATHOLICS FIND

Jerusalem, Yesterday.
What are believed to be the ruins of the Biblical City of Sodom has been discovered in the centre of the eastern plain of the Jordan, the result of five weeks' excavating by the Pontifical Biblical Institute, directed by Father Alexis Mallon.

Pottery and other finds show that the City was built early in the Bronze Age, and possessed an advanced type of civilization. It was destroyed by a great fire early in the dawn of history.—Reuter.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS

The M.V. "Malayan Prince" from New York sailed from Shanghai on December 30, and is expected to arrive here to-day.
The P. & O. s.s. "Rajputana" left Shanghai for this port on December 31 at 5.30 p.m., and is due here on January 2 at about 8 a.m.
The P. & O. s.s. "Maurice" left Singapore for this port on December 30 at 4 a.m., with the outward English Mail, and is due here on January 3 at about 8 a.m.

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All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before 9th January, 1930, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays or Fridays, between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon, within the Free Storage Period of one week.

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WARSHIPS IN PORT

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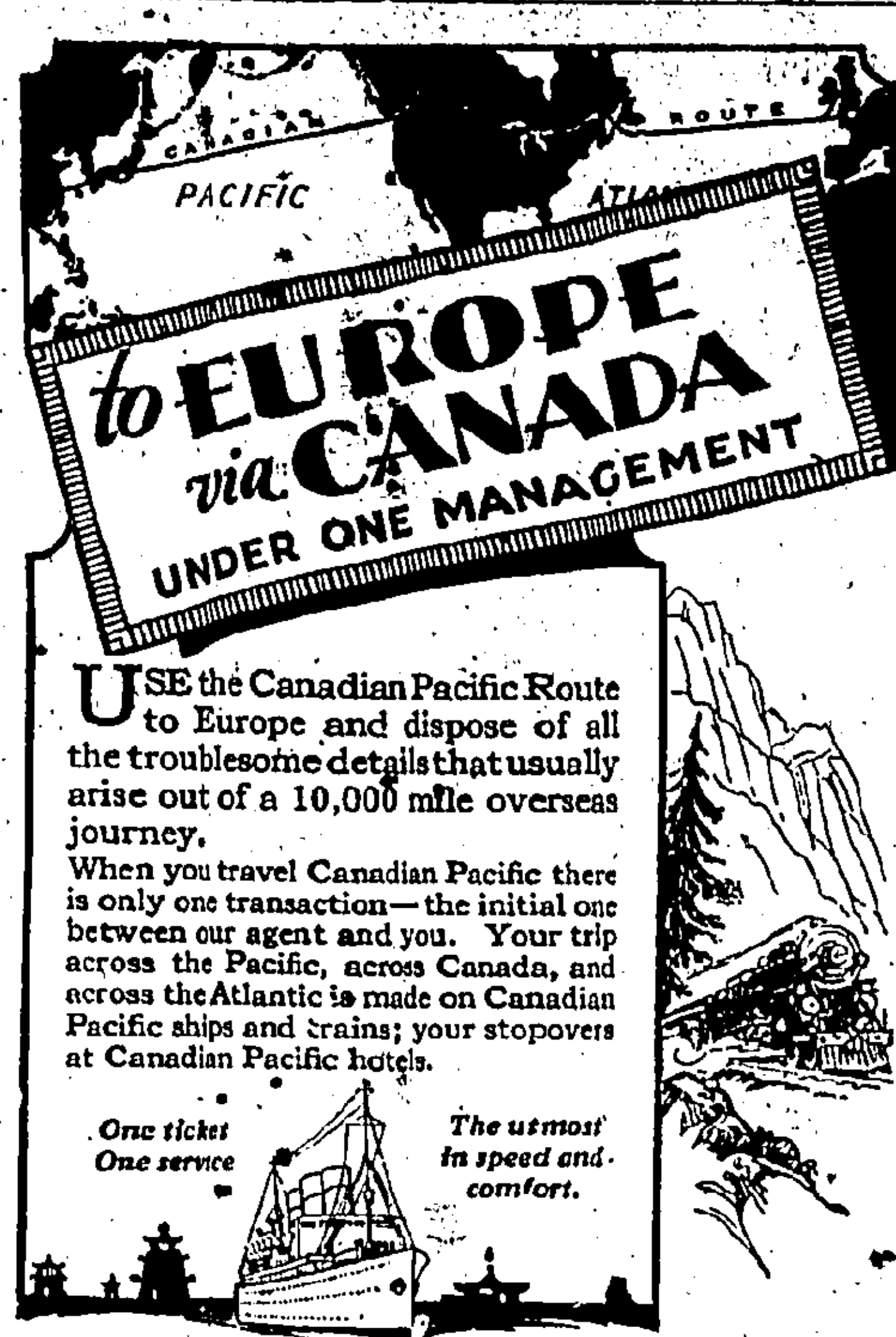
In Basin of R.N. Dockyard: "Sterling," "Petersfield," "Marazion," "Moorhen," "Iroquois." West Wall: "Kent" (flagship). In Dock: "Seraph," "Cornflower." No. 4 Buoy: "Herald." No. 6 Buoy: "Comwall." No. 12 Buoy: "Magnolia." No. 13 Buoy: "Sivac."

Foreign Men-of-War in harbour were:

French gunboat "Argus." U.S. gunboat "Mimamo." Following awards appeared in New Year's Honours: C.B.E. (Military) Commodore Hill. O.B.E. (Military) Surg. Comdr. Gerrard (retired), Hong Kong University.

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DEATHS

BURNETT.—At 110, The Peak,
Hong Kong, on January 1,
1930, George William Cude
Burnett.—Funeral will pass
the Monument to-day at 5
p.m.

BURNETT.—At 110, The Peak,
Hong Kong, on January 1,
1930, Caroline Elizabeth
Burnett.—Funeral will pass the
Monument at 5 p.m. to-day.

Hong Kong, Thursday, Jan. 2, 1930.

A TRAGIC LOSS

As a ship without a rudder, so
is the "China Mail" to-day. Its
head has passed away—a pro-
foundly tragic ending to a New
Year's Day. In the midst of the
first awful shock words naturally
fail us. It is too inexpressibly
sad. It is almost unthinkable
that the newspaper on which
Mr. G. W. C. Burnett devoted so
many years of his life should
still be published whilst his last
mortal remains await interment.

Too early is it to attempt to
write an eulogy of one who was
here but yesterday and is gone
to-day. The newspaper history
of the past three decades is a
corollary of the career of Mr.
Burnett. "The labourer's task is
o'er" but the record of all that
he did to maintain the highest
traditions of the Press shall for
ever be sacrosanct. He has given
unto those entrusted with the
future of the "China Mail" and
its sister contemporary "The
Hong Kong Sunday Herald" a
heritage of intrinsic value—an
inexhaustible energy, an infinite
fount of enterprise, an inexorable
passion for work for sheer work's
sake. Those three inestimable
qualities are rarely to be found
in one individual, but Mr.

Burnett combined all three with
an inherent purpose of elevating
the standard of newspapers in
the Colony by every means with-
in his power.

By the members of his staffs on
both the "China Mail" and the
"Hong Kong Sunday Herald" his
tragic demise is and will be most
deeply mourned. To one and all
he was simply "the boss" not in
the sense usually implied in the
relationship between employer
and employees, but as a "father"
and friend, a counsellor and
guide in all the daily complexities
involved in the work of a news-
paper. Not one of his staff, for-
eign or Chinese, but could go to
him and not feel that "the boss"
fully understood and sympathised
with human nature. His unfail-
ing humour alleviated many an
anxious moment, dispelled the
clouds, and restored the sunshine
to the heart.

The bereavement mourned to-
day is rendered doubly sorrowful
by the death also of Mrs. Burnett,
who was one of the best help-
mates that a man could have.
She lived her life for her husband
and her son as befits a true wife
and a dutiful mother. She, like
him, was cheerfulness personified.
And her thoughts were ever for
the comfort and solace of others.
She, too, alas! is gone
from our midst, but her sweet
memory will remain for ever
green.

The deepest and sincerest sym-
pathy in this tragic hour will go
out to the young son on the eve
of sailing from home to rejoin
his parents here. The shock of
the news of his double loss cannot
be imagined—may his dark hour
be softened by the thought that
the whole Colony waits to him in
spirit their sincerest condolences.
More cannot be said at this
writing.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Lady Clement has kindly con-
sented to present the cups and
certificates at the annual speech
day of St. Stephen's Girls' College
on Thursday, January 16.

Another man charged with the
possession of two trees was fined
\$25 or one month's hard labour.
For the unlawful possession of a
blank of wood, a Chinese woman
was given eight days' jail.

Two Chinese men and a woman
were at the Central Magistracy this
morning charged with the unlaw-
ful possession of over 100 heroin
pills. The two men told the story
that the pills of the blame fell
on the woman, and she admitted it.

Chief Inspector Peter Grant re-
ported his discovery of a fancy
coloured champagne leather cushion
on the Main Road in the vicinity of
the Republic Hotel. Will any
motorist who has lost this pillow
make enquiries to Inspector Grant?

AMERICA SEES NEW YEAR IN

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EFFECTS OF MARKET SLUMP

New York, Yesterday.

The celebration of the New Year
really started when the tones of
Big Ben from Westminster were
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for the first time broadcast success-
fully. The revelry, however, reach-
ed its height when the theatres
emptied, and 100,000 young people
paraded Upper Broadway using
every conceivable noise-maker.
There was slight falling off in the
hotel supper attendances, attribut-
ed to the recent market slump.—
Reuter's American Service.

New Year in China

Nanking, Tuesday.
By order of the Executive Yuan
all Government offices, and the
various Provincial Municipal Gov-
ernments will close for three days
beginning January 1.

It is also announced that medals
in honour and appreciation of
meritorious services during 1929,
will be awarded on New Year's Day
to military commanders for defend-
ing the north-eastern border against
the Soviet; to the presidents of the
Five Yuns, the chairman of
National Conferences held during
1929, and to various departmental
directors.—Reuter.

King's New Year Hope

In a telegram to the Lord-Mayor
of London, acknowledging the
New Year greetings, the King
says, "I deeply value the affection-
ate allusion to my restoration to
health and to the Queen and the
members of my family. I fervent-
ly join in the hope that God's
blessing, peace and general well-
being, may be vouchsafed to the
nations of the world. May the
New Year inspire the people of
our Empire with a solemn resolve
to secure an increasing measure
of prosperity. There are difficul-
ties to be overcome, but these, I
know, will be faced with courage
and enterprise traditional to the
citizens of London.—British Wire-
less Service.

MR. A. H. CROOK

Popular Queen's "Head": To Receive O.B.E.

Mr. A. H. Crook who receives the
O.B.E., succeeded Mr. B. Tanner, I.S.O.,
as Headmaster of Queen's College in
October, 1925, and at the annual din-
ner of the Queen's College Old Boys'
Association, held on March 13, Mr.
George Grimble, President of the Asso-
ciation, made the following reference
to Mr. Crook:
"It is surely no flattery to say that
the Hong Kong Government had
thought they would best honour Mr.
Crook by appointing him to the Head-
mastership of this College. The Old
Boys' Association think it extremely
fortunate Queen's College is to have,
as Mr. Tanner's successor, such an
able, capable and popular Head-
master as Mr. Crook, who is beloved
alike by old boys, present boys, and the
whole staff, and who will carry on the
best of Queen's College traditions. There
is no need for me to dwell upon Mr.
Crook's virtues. He is so well-known
and so universally respected that no-
thing I might say could by any pos-
sibility add to his popularity, or to the
high position he occupies in our
minds."

Just prior to his departure from
Hong Kong on the s.s. "Fushima Maru"
on October 24, 1925, Mr. B. Tanner,
the retiring Headmaster of Queen's
College, referred to his successor, Mr.
Crook, in the following terms:
"Mr. Crook is everything that a
Head of Queen's College ought to be."

His successor, he added, would not be
coming to the boys of Q.C. as a stranger
as he was well known to them as the
(Mr. Tanner) himself, was. He
was sure that all would agree with him
when he said that the interests of
Queen's College could be left in the
hands of Mr. Crook.

How true those words have been
proved to be was amply demonstrated
during four years that he had charge
of Queen's College.

AIRMEN'S FUNERAL

Victims of Fatal Crash Over Tunis

Rugby, Yesterday.
The funeral of Squadron-Leader
James Williams, who, with Flight-
Lieutenant Jenkins, lost his life when
the Royal Air Force monoplane crash-
ed at Tunis while attempting a flight
to Capetown, took place this afternoon
in the family burial ground at Has-
locks, in Sussex. The coffin, covered
with the Union Jack, was borne by
squadrons and a Guard of Honour
was furnished by the 23rd Fighter
Squadron at Kenley, to which the de-
ceased officer was attached before being
transferred to special services.—British
Wireless Service.

Charged with the unlawful pos-
session of some pieces of wood, a
Chinese at the Central Magistracy
this morning, pleaded that he had
picked them up after the wind had
blown them down. Mr. E. W.
Hamilton convicted the man and
fined him \$10 or 14 days' im-
prisonment.

GHASTLY FIRE

TERRIBLE SCENES IN PAISLEY CINEMA

FATAL CRUSH

CHILDREN PERISH IN WILD STAMPEDE

London, Yesterday.

Over 60, but probably nearer 80
children were incinerated, or died
through injuries, in a terrible fire
which broke out at the Glen
Cinema, Paisley, Scotland, during
a matinee yesterday.

The performance was proceed-
ing when flames shot out from the
operator's box and filled the audi-
torium. There was a wild
scramble for the exits, which were
quickly jammed by struggling
boys and girls. Police and
civilians donned improvised gas
masks and pulled as many as pos-
sible to safety from the tangled
mass, while agonised mothers
watched. Firemen used ladders
against the uppermost windows
and handed down the children.
All of the 150 rescued were rush-
ed off in tram cars to the infir-
mary.

Sixty-nine bodies were recover-
ed at Paisley. The cinema's capa-
city is 750, and it was crowded
with children of working class
parents, between sixteen months
and fourteen years of age. One
father lost three children.

SEIZED WITH PANIC

London, Later.
There was never a ghastlier
Hogmanay in Scotland than the
Paisley cinema disaster, which was
the most terrible of its kind
in the British Isles.

The youngsters had gathered
for a special Hogmanay show, and
had just seen a film in which a
child was run over in a street ac-
cident. Then came sudden dark-
ness, followed by splutterings and
dense smoke from the operator's
box. The spool had fired, and the
operator tried to carry out the
burning film but the children
were panic struck and rushed to
the rear entrance where there
were ten steps. The forerunners
fell and were trampled on, by
which means most of the
casualties occurred. The Paisley
fire master stated that not a
single child perished by fire.

GALLANT FIREMEN

The news spread like wildfire in
the cotton mills, and demented
parents fought firemen and police
to enter the cinema. The firemen
did not wait for smoke helmets but
dashed in over a mound of prone
children, seized as many as they
could, and rushed out into the
fresh air. They found some chil-
dren unharmed, but absolutely
still with terror.

The victims were conveyed to
the infirmary in tram cars, private
cars, lorries, and anything the
police could commandeer. The
miles were lying in corridors.
Every bed was occupied, but
urgent messages brought doctors
from all over the town, and the
basement of the infirmary was
converted into a mortuary. Many
women collapsed whilst identify-
ing the bodies.

POISONED BY GAS

Later.
No children were incinerated.
The dead were either trampled on
or suffocated.

Thirty-nine children were de-
tained in hospital at Paisley. A
pathetic coincidence was that the
film exhibited at the time of the
disaster was entitled "The Crowd."
A police guard had to be
mounted at the hospital, to keep
back the distracted parents.
The suggestion was made that
some of the victims were poison-
ed by gas. One fireman was em-
phatic that gas was escaping.
Possibly the gas brackets were
broken by the stampede.

CANADA'S SYMPATHY

Ottawa, Yesterday.
The Prime Minister, Mr.
Mackenzie King, has telegraphed
to the Provost of Paisley, express-
ing Canada's sympathy at the
cinema disaster.—Reuter.

WEeping PARENTS

London, Later.
Under the relentless rain, pitiful
groups of weeping mothers
and fathers waited all night long
in the vicinity of the mortuary
and infirmary to identify the dead
and obtain news of their injured
children. Out of 87 injured at
the infirmary 12 are in a very
critical condition. It is feared
that some will not survive. A
Medical Authority stated that in
most cases death was mercifully
rapid.

PRONE WITH TERROR

A fireman describing the scene
inside the cinema, said that he
doubted if some children would
ever recover from the horror of
the experience. He saw one little
boy in the corner with bodies piled
up above his waist. He was
still gesticulating wildly, as if he
thought he was still fighting for
life in the awful crush.

The disaster is now stated to
be due to the fact that the opera-
tor was unable to open the side
door as he was bravely rushing
away with the burning film.

Many children were so disfigured
in the stampede that they were
only identifiable by their clothes.
Volunteer workers from various
nursing establishments have offer-
ed to prepare the bodies for burial.

THE DEATH ROLL

London, To-day.
The death roll in the Paisley fire
is 70. The Home Office Chief-
Inspector of Explosives is going to
Paisley to investigate the disaster,
and the Lord Advocate is consid-
ering a public enquiry.

Their Majesties have sent a mes-
sage to the Provost of Paisley ex-
pressing great distress at the ap-
palling loss of children, and con-
veying heartfelt sympathy to the
relatives in their overwhelming
sorrow. They desire to be kept
informed of the progress of the in-
jured.—Reuter.

NO DANGER OF FIRE

Rugby, Yesterday.
An immediate investigation is
being made by an expert of the
Home Office into the disaster at the
cinema at Paisley, whereby 69
children lost their lives and 87 were
injured, one of whom has since
died. A public inquiry will later be
held.

Dr. Gray, of Paisley Infirmary,
has dismissed the theory that vic-
tims died from carbon monoxide
poisoning from the fumes of the
burning film. It appears to be
established that had there been no
panic, there would have been no
casualties, for the burning film,
though it filled the auditorium with
smoke was thrown out of the cinema
on to some waste ground within a
few seconds. In the words of one
official: "The children were killed
in trying to escape from danger
which did not exist." But the cry
of fire had already gone up and it
was too late to avert panic. Most
of the children died from suffoca-
tion in the crush. Some of them
leapt from the balcony on to heads
of those beneath.

THE PREMIER'S MESSAGE

The King and Queen have sent to
the Provost of Paisley a message
expressing their great distress at
the appalling disaster and asking
the Provost to convey to the bereav-
ed relatives their heartfelt sympathy
in their overwhelming sorrow. The
Premier, telephoning to the Provost
and speaking for his countrymen
and countrywomen, sent message of
sympathy. He said that such a
tragedy at any time would have
moved the country to sorrow, but
happening on New Year's Eve, when
everyone was happy with children
and was planning feasts and
gaeties for them, deep indeed was
the gloom which this devastation
had cast upon them.

"Everyone blessed by having their
children around them understands
in the most intimate way the
torturing sorrow which is in the
hearts of so many of your citizens."
The Town Council, at a special
meeting to-day, decided to head a
relief fund with a grant of 1,000
Guineas and defray the funeral
expenses of the victims. A public
funeral service will be held on
Friday.—British Wireless Service.

SOVIET AND CHINA NOW AT PEACE

RUSSIAN RAILWAY OFFICIALS TO RESUME OFFICE

PRISONERS RELEASED

Mukden, Yesterday.
Eight hundred Soviet prisoners
in an internment camp near Har-
bin were released yesterday, while
87 Communists arrested in a raid
on the Soviet Consulate at Harbin
last May, were liberated to-day.
Mote Haul, the newly appointed
Director-General of the C.E.R., has
been appointed chief Chinese de-
legate to the Moscow Conference.
Chang Shih-yi, Director of Muk-
den Arsenal, has been appointed
Civil Governor of Fengtien.

Harbin, Yesterday.
Rudyi, the new Manager of the
C.E.R., and Denisoff, Assistant
Manager, arrived this morning.
Ramatoff and Danilavsky, members
of the Administration, and
Bimonoifsky, the Soviet Consul-
General are all taking up their
duties to-day.—Reuter.

TEN YEARS AGO

(From the "China Mail,"
January 2, 1920.)

Graced by the presence of H.E. the
Governor, Sir R. E. Stubbs, and a
large number of Hong Kong's best
known inhabitants the function of
opening the new hotel at Repulse Bay,
which is under the management of
the Hong Kong Hotel Company, was
both successful and enjoyable. At
3 p.m. on New Year's Day a
disco stream of motor vehicles left
Victoria and sped along the beautiful
roads to the new Hotel.

NEW YEAR IN THE COLONY

MIRTH AND MERRIMENT TO THE FORE
DANCES AND SPORTS

The year 1929 passed out amidst much bursting of fire crackers, and simultaneously the new year was ushered in with a great deal of enthusiasm. Merry-makers celebrated the New Year in various ways and in various places.

The Repulse Bay, Peninsula and Hong Kong Hotels were the main rendezvous; there the people flocked from the island and the mainland in order to take part in the great carnival dances. All these three hotels were prettily decorated with coloured streamers, flowers and coloured lights.

There was also much jollity at the popular resort—Lane Crawford's Restaurant—and every available table was taken for the fancy dress ball.

In Club Naval and Military circles the same fun and frolic were indulged in by young and old alike.

At the C.C.C. The annual dance given by the President of the Craigengower Cricket Club proved successful.

Dancing commenced shortly after nine o'clock on New Year Eve and was continued until a few minutes before midnight when the gathering assembled inside the hall and, joining hands, ushered in the New Year in the usual manner, the singing of Auld Lang Syne being accompanied by the firing of crackers throughout the district.

After the customary greetings dancing was continued.

New Year's Day Sports, of course, filled up the greater part of yesterday's programme. An account of each event appears in our Sports Page.

For the children there was the Kowloon C.C. sports and the "belated" Christmas Tree at the Police Recreation Club.

Chinese Celebrations Yesterday saw increased signs in the Colony of the Chinese observing New Year's Day according to the Gregorian calendar. The percentage of people and shops on holiday, having risen year by year, was estimated at between 30 and 40.

There was no official Chinese reception.

Among the institutions which held "semi-official" functions were the Sugar Merchants' Association, Chung Sing Benevolent Association, Chinese Engineers' Institute, Chung Shan District Commercial Guild.

The New Year card, whose origin is the centuries-old oblong slip of red paper at China New Year, was very prominent. Nevertheless that gala spirit, which makes the old calendar New Year the biggest and most picturesque festival in China, was lacking. Womenfolk, mostly, and the more conservative among the sterner sex, cannot bring themselves to undergo the ceremonial that is part and parcel of the great day of yore.

There is, as yet, no pre-festival shopping culminating in the bazaar and fair of Chinatown. But it can be predicted that, in time, when all Chinese adopt the Gregorian calendar unflinchingly, that popular feature of Jervis Street and vicinity will be a thing of the past.

Worship has also a lot to do with it. Hence there were no folks in vivid gowns carrying long, lighted incense sticks in the streets during the early hours on returning from a pilgrimage to a favourite temple.

Youngsters and Fireworks The opportunity was taken, however, by ubiquitous youngsters to let off firecrackers. Furthermore, that type known in the colloquial as the "electric" cracker, which is dangerously explosive and is forbidden by the authorities, has come into the market again.

The younger and smarter set observed the day much as Europeans did. Many parties at the dance halls of the leading hotels were Chinese. Quite a number were at convivial New Year's Eve parties, in spite of the waning of the older generation.

Adopting also the fashion of Occidentals to have only one day's enjoyment, the Chinese who observed New Year's Day returned to work this morning, so that there was none of the rounds of fun which last several days at China New Year.

In Canton On the other hand, the official holiday in Canton continues to-day, although only a minority of the tradesmen have shut up shop. Members of the Government, the Army, etc., exchanged New Year calls as they have been doing for about a decade—but gave more attention towards encouraging the people to forego the "old" New Year. (The Chinese New Year is the 15th day of the first month of the lunar calendar.)

ing the last day in the lunar calendar the final business settlement of a year; and until this can be changed, the first of January will not be to Chinese what it is to so many other nationals.

Kowloon Carnival A very successful Fancy Dress Carnival was held in the Kowloon Dock Reading Room last night. The music was excellent; the victor Orchestra being responsible, and dancing was continued until an early hour.

Prizes were presented to the following:—

Most Original:—

Lady—Miss E. Bliss.

(Telephone)

Most Original:—

Gentlemen—Mr. Pinguet.

(Sultan)

Best Dressed:—

Lady—Miss M. Groundwater.

(Egyptian)

Best Dressed:—

Gentleman—Mr. J. Cruickshank.

(Red Devil)

Funniest Costume:—

Lady—Mrs. Johnson. (Twink)

Funniest Costume:—

Gentleman—Mr. W. Tillery.

(D. O. R. A.)

ANNUAL CHILDREN'S SPORTS

SUCCESSFUL DESPITE SLIGHT INCLEMENCY OF WEATHER

PRaise FOR THE K.C.C.

"The organisation is simply splendid" declared Lady Clementi, M.B.E., at the presentation of prizes at the 24th annual children's sports of the Kowloon Cricket Club, held yesterday.

Hundreds of kiddies from both sides of the harbour thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon's sport and entertainment, the latter being supplied by energetic Sgt. Mills, of the Somerset L.I., as a clown.

Apart from the official events, Messrs. W. Brace and F. E. Lawrence amused the young ones (and old!) with coconut shying and kicking the football. The band of the 3rd Bn. 15th Junjah Regt., played selections, throughout.

Although rain clouds threatened overhead, they did not burst, and the sports were only marred by a constant fine drizzle. The brain tub drew the patronage of the kiddies, crowds thronging the "tub" for their presents.

Mr. Abraham's Address Prior to the distribution of prizes Mr. Ezra Abraham, Vice President of the K.C.C., addressed the gathering, and said:—

"This is the 24th annual children's sports of the Kowloon Cricket Club, and I am very glad to see that the gathering is as large as ever. We are indeed highly honoured by the presence of Lady Clementi, who, on the eve of her departure from the Colony, has found time to come over to us in Kowloon."

On behalf of the Club, I wish to thank all those who have helped to make the sports a success, especially our friends in the Kowloon Dock.

I also wish to thank all the donors of prizes and the generous contributors to the sports funds, both members and non-members. I congratulate the boys and girls who have won races, and those who have not won I ask to come again next year and bring their friends to help them.

Lady Clementi then graciously presented the prizes to the following winners:

The Girls' Events

Skipping Race, 14 years and under.—1. Doris Reeves. 2. Betty Pestonji. 3. Marie Smith.

Flat Race, 6 to 9 years.—1. Mary Lay. 2. Jean Fraser. 3. Joyce Humphreys.

Skipping Competition, under ten.—1. Doris Frith. 2. Joyce Humphreys. 3. Dorothy Marlow.

Flat Race, under six.—1. Florence McKelvie. 2. Dorothy McCaw. 3. Bunty Dalgleish.

Potato Race, 10 to 14.—1. Dorothy Raven. 2. Edith Withers. 3. Doris Reeves.

Skipping Competition, 10 to 14.—1. Eileen Brace. 2. Violet Bradbury. 3. Winifred Raven.

Flat Race, 14 and under.—1. Marie Clark. 2. Virginia Beaumont. 3. Cissie Silva.

Musical Chairs, 8 to 14.—1. Dorothy Raven. 2. Edith Withers. 3. Maureen Rumsby.

Egg and Spoon Race, 14 and under.—1. Lily Parry. 2. Betty Pestonji. 3. Joan Sanh.

Flat Race, 6 to 14.—1. Vivian Beaumont. 2. Violet Bradbury. 3. Marie Smith.

Flat Race, 4 and under.—1. Joyce Sturgeon. 2. Breda Smith. 3. Jean Rale.

Relay Race, 9 to 14.—1. Nancy Barker and Ethel Barker. Edna Carroll and Betty Pestonji.

Consolation Race, up to 14.—1. Margaret Gow. 2. Cissie Boylance. 3. Daisy Bates.

The Boys' Events

Potato Race, 10 to 14.—1. William Rayley. 2. James Winyard. 3. Kevin Kavanagh.

Flat Race, under 12.—1. Geoffrey Arnold. 2. Henry Lim. 3. Stanley Lim.

Obstacle Race, 10 to 14.—1. Mickey Woo. 2. Reginald Lacombe. 3. Jack Mackay.

Relay Race, 10 to 14.—1. Winning team, William Rayley, Mickey Woo, Eric Rayley and Alex Crawford.

Flat Race, 6 to 9.—1. William Chan. 2. Eric Stone. 3. Tony Lapsley.

Sack Race, 8 to 14.—1. Alex MacFarlane. 2. Joseph Pereira. 3. Stanley Lee.

Tag-of-War, 10 to 14.—Winning team, (two straight pulls) Bertram Lay, Leonard Phillips, Eric Humphreys, Albert Brown, Douglas Smith, J. Mackenzie, Dick Branch and Neville Howe.

Flat Race, 4 to 7.—1. Geoffrey Otten. 2. Arthur Charlton. 3. Robert Hall.

*Three-Legged Race, 10 to 14.—1. Jack Mackay and Leonard Phillips. 2. Norman Lee and Geoffrey Arnold. 3. Fred Winyard and Douglas Smith.

Flat Race, 8 to 10.—1. Eric Stone. 2. Thomas Suter. 3. Dickey Silva.

Flat Race, 4 and under.—1. John Way. 2. Bob Hoare. 3. John Labrum.

Wheel Barrow Race, 9 to 14.—1. James Winyard and George Roy.

Consolation Race, up to 14.—1. Malcolm Hale. 2. Ronald Holden. 3. Dick Branch.

Band Race.—1. Khansha Ran. 2. Lek Raj. 3. Thakur Barsad.

Raffle Winners

Bicycle Raffle—Ticket No. 6—H. F. Bunje.

Aeroplane Raffle—Ticket No. 121—Gill Lawrence.

A Silver Bouquet

At the conclusion of the distribution little Miss Beryl Goldenburg handed Lady Clementi a silver bouquet of pink roses draped with the colours of the K.C.C.

Lady Clementi then replied in a short speech, and said that she was very glad to see so many people there. The club seemed to have squared with the weather, as, had it rained, the whole arrangements would have been spoiled. She thanked Mr. Ezra Abraham for so kindly asking her to come to the meeting, and also particularly thanked the Club, on their splendid organisation of the sports.

Three lusty cheers for Lady Clementi, and the "National Anthem" ended a very happy afternoon.

THE OFFICIALS

Reception Committee: Mr. E. Abraham, Mr. J. P. Robinson, Mr. N. H. Ross.

Judges: Mr. S. E. Green, Mr. E. Abraham, Rev. W. Walton Rogers, Mr. P. W. Ramsay, Mr. P. Tester, Rev. J. H. Johnstone, Mr. L. J. Blackburn, Mr. O. B. Raven, Mr. W. Goldenburg.

Handicappers and Starters: Mr. J. P. Robinson, Mr. B. Petheram, Mr. W. H. Hirst, Mr. E. C. Fincher, Mr. A. R. F. Raven, Mr. E. F. Fincher, Mr. A. E. Silstone, Mr. J. A. Smith, Mr. G. Hays, Mr. A. E. Guest, Mr. R. Pestonji, Mr. J. A. Howe.

Clerks of the Course: Capt. A. L. H. Hirst, Mr. D. S. Green, Mr. W. L. Alexander, Mr. S. Jex, Capt. J. R. Reynolds, Mr. Hyde Lay, Mr. R. Abraham.

Decorations: Mr. F. Jenner, Mr. F. Hamblin, Mr. H. Gittins.

Entertainment: Mrs. E. Abraham, Mrs. A. Hyde Lay, Mrs. F. E. Lawrence, Mrs. W. Brace, Mrs. F. Hamblin, Capt. E. Walker, Mrs. J. Smith, Mrs. J. A. Howe, Mrs. G. Labrum, Mrs. S. G. Hays, Mrs. A. S. C. Burford, Mr. C. J. Roe, Capt. G. H. Pennefather, Mrs. S. Jex, Mrs. A. E. Silstone, Miss W. Robinson, Miss B. Hirst, Mr. E. Hirst, Mr. V. C. Labrum.

Hot Tent: Mrs. J. P. Robinson, Mrs. E. W. White, Mrs. S. E. Green, Miss W. White, Mr. H. Overy, Mr. E. H. P. White, Mr. A. Goldenburg, Mr. E. Moses.

Side Shows: Mr. A. W. Brown, Mr. L. A. Jeeves, Mr. A. C. S. Burford, Mr. J. Smith, Mr. F. E. Lawrence.

Children's Sports Hon. Secretary: Mr. E. R. Price.

A LONG RECORD

Soviet's Foreign Commissioner Resigns

Berlin, Tuesday.

The resignation of the Foreign Minister with the longest record of continuous service in Europe is announced. He is M. Chicherin, the Soviet's Foreign Commissioner, who has been undergoing a cure at Wiesbaden for diabetes.

He leaves for Moscow on January 3, in order to resign his post on medical advice. He is expected to return to Wiesbaden afterwards, to complete his cure.—Reuter.

THE KUOMINTANG

Six Commanders To Be Expelled

Nanking, Tuesday.

Six of the leading Kuomintang commanders under Feng Yu-hsiang, namely Sung Chih-yuan, Shih Ching-ting, Sun Liang-shan, Liu Chih, Lu Chung-shan, and Hsiao Tzu-wei, are to be expelled from the Kuomintang for opposing against the Central Government, in accordance with a resolution adopted yesterday by the standing committee of the Central Executive Council.—Reuter.

POLICE CHRISTMAS TREE PARTY

HUMOROUS ADDRESS BY INSPECTOR SHAFTAIN

A HAPPY AFTERNOON

The annual Christmas Tree Party and Sports Meeting of the Hong Kong Police was held on the grounds of the Police Recreation Club yesterday afternoon, being attended by a large gathering of children, accompanied by their parents.

There were items in the sports programme for young and old of both sexes. All were well "patronised," and everyone had a good time. Those who did not take part in the races found plenty of enjoyment in the chute, coconut shy, hoop la, donkey rides, and bowls.

A Crazy Policeman

"Willie" Ward and "Wally" Maffey lent plenty of merriment to the party as clowns. The former was dressed up as a funny man from the circus whilst "Wally" appeared as a crazy Policeman, with a carrot stuck in his tunic. It was interesting to note that the I.G.P., actually went up to him and shook hands, instead of ordering him to be placed in the guardroom.

After the sports, tea was served in the closed-in verandah of the club pavilion, which was later used for dancing, after the dismantling of the Christmas Tree—the good things being handed out to the happy kiddies by Clown "Willie"—and the distribution of the sports prizes by Mrs. T. H. King, wife of the Deputy Inspector-General of Police.

During the afternoon gramophone music was supplied through a radio loud speaker, arranged by Sergeant Ritchie, the Police "radio fan," who was also responsible for the dance music.

Sub-Inspector Shaftain

Before the distribution of the sports prizes, the gathering was addressed by Sub-Inspector W. Shaftain who was in humorous mood.

He said that a meeting of the Christmas Tree and Sports Committee was held last week but he did not attend it so he was unable to say what occurred, but judging from the success of the afternoon, the Committee had done its job thoroughly. He could not understand, however, why they should pick on him as the speech maker, unless it was by way of punishment for his absence from the meeting.

However, he did not regard the task as a formidable one because he looked upon the gathering as a family one, and one was never at a loss as to what to say when speaking to his family. The ladies present would, no doubt, remember the days when they were a little younger, when they sat on the laps of the men who were now their husbands, and thrilled to hear themselves called kittens. The one drawback about kittens, however, was that they could not always remain kittens!

Mr. Wolfe's Return

Proceeding, Mr. Shaftain said that he would like to welcome the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe (Inspector-General of Police) back in their midst. He was sure that he was voicing the feelings of all when he said that it was gratifying that Mr. Wolfe had come to join them in their fun.

Judging from the "dressing down" he (the speaker) received from Mr. Wolfe recently, he could say that Mr. Wolfe's holiday at Home had done him good. They owed that afternoon's party to Mr. Wolfe, because he was responsible for many of the children being present.

The Committee

Mr. Shaftain then expressed thanks to the members of the committee for the excellent arrangements made for that afternoon; to Mr. J. H. Taggart who had annually assisted them with money. This year Mr. Taggart made the generous donation of \$200 to their sports prizes fund. Others he wished to thank were Mr. Glendinning, for making the decorations; Sir Robert Ho Tung for the loan of the donkey; Mr. H. Green for the Christmas Tree; Mr. Richard Lee for the loan of flags; Messrs. Ward and Mair, for "dressing" for them; and Mr. Blundell for valuable general assistance.

Finally, Mr. Shaftain said, he had much pleasure in inviting Mrs. King to give away the sports prizes. Mrs. King, he said, was known to him only by reputation.

The Prize Winners

The prize winners were as under:—

Boys' Handicap (8 years and under)—1. Walter Evans; 2. Guy Holland; 3. Pat. Barnett.

Girls' Handicap (6 years and under)—1. Paula Holland; 2. Elsie Hunt; 3. Ellen Barnett.

Boys' Handicap (over 8 and under 14 years)—1. Leslie Reynolds; 2. Bobby Bloor; 3. Charlie Evans.

Girls' Handicap (over 8 and under 14 years)—1. Mavis Glendinning; 2. Joy Booker; 3. Edna Phillips.

Three-legged Race (Boys and Girls under 14 years)—1. June and Neville Booker; 2. Joy and Noel Booker; 3. Jean Knight and Ross Ogg.

Kicking the Football (Boys and Girls under 14 years)—1. Edna Grimmit; 2. Norman Reynolds; 3. Douglas Taylor.

Ladies' Coconut Shy.—1. Miss E. Kerr; 2. Miss P. Hunt; 3. Mrs. Leigh.

Ladies' Potato and Spoon Race.—1. Mrs. Thorpe; 2. Mrs. Reynolds; 3. Mrs. Holland.

Men's 100 yards Handicap (under 40 years)—1. E. Post; 2. W. Stewart; 3. W. Shannon.

Ladies' Nomination (Threading the Needle) Race.—1. Mrs. Holland and E. Post; 2. Miss P. Hunt and G. Henderson; 3. Mrs. Saunders and E. Cotton.

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1.48 p.m.—Weather Report.

5.7 p.m.—Y.M.C.A. Tea Dance.

Sport Columns

CHARITY FOOTBALL MATCH

INTERESTING GAME ON MILITARY GROUND ARMY v. THE REST

On the Military Ground at Squampoo yesterday H.E. the G.O.C. China Command, Major-General J. W. Sandilands, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., accompanied the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow to the centre circle to set the following players in motion:

The Army: Fletcher (R.A.); Gillet (R.S.); Hayward (S.L.I.); Lyons (R.A.S.C.); West (S.L.I.); Joyce (R.A.); Rayson, Baker, Denmead, Bewley-Bull and Butcher (all of S.L.I.).

The Rest: Chan Sek-pui (C.A.A.); McGregor (Navy); Jones (Navy); Huddley (Kowloon); Lam Yuk-ying (C.A.A.); Bliss (Kowloon); Tso Kwai-shing (C.A.A.); A. V. Gosano (Recreation); Fung King-cheung (S.C.A.); File (Kowloon); and Ip Pak-wa (S.C.A.).

Mr. W. E. Hollands was referee. The Band of the Somerset Light Infantry rendered selections before the kick-off and during the interval.

The Game Described

The Rest were early attacked, but a bouncing ball prevented Gosano from gathering properly and sending in an accurate shot. From mid-field Tso Kwai-shing raced down the wing but handled the ball, much to the amusement of the crowd. From the free kick Rayson sent in a beautiful drop shot for Chan Sek-pui to catch and clear. An exciting minute then ensued for three times the ball was flashed across the Army's goal mouth to be eventually put behind by Fung King-cheung. Under pressure Gillet miskicked to let Tso Kwai-shing through to centre but Gosano could not control the spinning ball to send in an effective shot. For a time the Army tried hard to find an opening but Lam Yuk-ying, McGregor and Jones repulsed all attacks. The ball was now slightly greasy through the heavy mist falling, and it very nearly led to the downfall of the Army's goal when Lyons caught it on the side of his foot to go behind, narrowly missing the upright.

At the other end Denmead missed a good opening and shot wide. A minute later Butcher on the run could not get his foot to the ball properly and Chan Sek-pui had no trouble in clearing his lines. Continuing the attack Chan Sek-pui delighted the crowd in effecting a clever save from Bewley-Bull's fast first time drive. Tso Kwai-shing then gave a display of pattern weaving round Hayward and forced a couple of corners, but they were both cleared. Chan Sek-pui again earned applause when, with Butcher racing toward him, he remained in goal for a second or two and then by excellent judgment came out to meet him, gathered, side-stopped and made a good clearance when a goal seemed inevitable.

The play had been fast up to this stage but it became even more so when pressure was brought to bear by the Rest, and Gillet got into difficulties and handled within the penalty area. McGregor took the spot kick, opened the scoring, and gave the Rest the lead.

This reverse put new life into the Army's attacks, Baker going very near with a good effort. Not to be done Denmead had a try for Chan Sek-pui to drop, when McGregor brought relief at the expense of a corner it was a let off for the Rest. Success came with Rayson's accurate flag kick entering the net to make matters equal again.

McGregor was then hurt and had to leave the field for a while. From a further flag kick Denmead

headed just over. Then followed excitement, Fung King-cheung's shot struck the upright, rose, struck the under side of the bar, and bounced on the goal-line for Tso Kwai-shing to rush in and net.

By a timely dive Gillet saved a dangerous centre from Tso Kwai-shing at the expense of a corner, but the flag kick was cleared. Another exciting piece of work was engineered by the Rest's attackers, from Lam Yuk-ying to Ip Pak-wa whose high centre was punched out by Fletcher for Gosano to meet with a first time drive to graze the bar. Ip Pak-wa later flashed the ball right out to Tso Kwai-shing who sent a lightning shot into the side of the net on the wrong side. Back to the other end Butcher was held up by McGregor, but he could not get the ball away. Denmead going very close with a header. A further header from the same player was tipped over the bar by Chan Sek-pui, but the interval whistle sounded before the flag kick was taken.

Half-time:

The Rest 2

The Army 1

Rest Press Hard

Soon after the resumption Tso Kwai-shing made another of his dashes but lost possession and Gosano missed the upright by an inch or two. The Army then made a very threatening raid which was completely spoiled by Denmead being off-side. Gosano was striving hard to find the net but was being well covered and repeatedly had to give short passes to his inside men instead of taking shots himself. A high pass from Gosano was headed in, but Fletcher tipped over the bar. Nothing materialised from the resultant corner.

The Rest now pressed, attempts being made by Rayson, Gosano, and Fung King-cheung. Fletcher twice having to be content with kicking to clear his lines. West was only in time to stop Pile when the latter was in a good position. From a rush down the wing Butcher added a further thrill, his angle shot flashing across the goal mouth just to miss the further upright. West then had a try from long range, his awkward shot being tipped round the post for a corner by Chan Sek-pui.

A Bombardment

From the flag kick the Rest's goal mouth was bombarded for fully a minute but success was denied the Army. Tso Kwai-shing was stopped in another of his dangerous rushes by Joyce, and Gillet failed to stop Fung King-cheung, but Fletcher excelled himself in effecting a clever save. Tso Kwai-shing and Gosano were combining well and after some pretty play Gosano was fed by Tso Kwai-shing who drove a fast rising shot in well out of Fletcher's reach.

Another Thrill

Rayson then came into the picture to cause another thrill by another angle shot across the goal mouth to miss the further upright. Chan Sek-pui being tested by the same player a minute later. Denmead then missed a splendid chance; to reduce his side's arrears by being too slow. At the other end Fletcher saved smartly from Pile. The Army's defence was showing signs of weakening and Gosano had little difficulty in running through the opposing backs to beat Fletcher from close in.

From the place kick the play returned to the Army's tail, and Fletcher was again brought into action by Tso Kwai-shing putting over the bar.

The final whistle went before the flag kick was taken.

Result:

The Rest 4

The Army 1

RUGBY FOOTBALL RAMBLINGS

THE BEST GAME OF THE SEASON

SPICE OF LUCK FOR CLUB

(By "All On")

Service and Civilian "Rugger" enthusiasts, both players and spectators, are being very well catered for this season; and, if games of the calibre of the Cup tie between the Navy and the Club could be staged every week, followers of the handling code would soon be as numerous as are at present the "Soccer" fans. Excitement and enthusiasm reminiscent of an Interporet were evoked at Happy Valley last Saturday where the most strenuous game played this season took place on a slightly harder surface than usual.

The Club turned out an apparently weaker side than that which did duty against the "Cornwall" the previous Saturday, but got just that necessary spice of luck which helps to win so many games, thus emerging winners against a Navy side in which four of the latter were undoubtedly a first-rate team with plenty of thrust and weight. They showed a knowledge of the game and combination, which enabled them to press quite as often as the winners, and they had the latter penned in their own "25" for fully a quarter of an hour during the second half. But they lacked the "joos" and, of course, they will be the first to admit, I know, that the tackling of the Club's outsiders was responsible in no small measure for the result.

Reason for Victory

In estimating the comparative abilities of the two sides, I think I should fall in my critical duty if I started elsewhere than at scrum-half, where the game was won and lost. The "Cornwall" beat a stronger Club XV primarily because Sayer got the ball from nine out of ten scrummages—and was allowed to pass it out to Davis. In the game under review the Navy forwards again got the ball out to Sayer because of superior hooking. But—and in my opinion this was the match for the Club—Bonnar was on top of the Navy scrum-half the whole time last Saturday. Whenever and wherever the ball came through, Bonnar was on it like a flash, obviously once again as fit as ever he was last season. Thus it was that Fenton, who played a splendid game under difficulties, had anything but an afternoon's feast of easy passes from his partner.

Where every man on the Civilian side played all he knew, and most of them to a finish—they had to, to win—it may seem unappreciative of their great efforts to say so; but I contend that Bonnar was responsible, more than any one else, for his side's victory. His unexpected try at the beginning gave his men just that nerve which carried them through, where, had the opponents scored first, I feel certain they would have run out easy winners, perhaps by a very decisive margin. Even late in the second half, had Hammond converted the comparatively easy kick from Buckley's try, and thus evened up the scores, the likelihood is that the sailors would have gone on to win. Do my readers not remember the Navy's great effort in the last ten minutes of the corresponding game last year, when Morgan's place-kicking electrified his side and spectators alike to carry off the Cup?

Navy's Full Back

Webb, at full-back for the Navy, played a solid game, if anything better than his previous display; but, rising to the importance of the occasion, Grieve, for the Club, gave a faultless exhibition showing none of that early hesitancy I criticised adversely last week. The moral effect on a side of a confident and capable full-back can scarcely be overestimated. The Buckley-McKay wing did a lot of good work and the fact that they only got through once reflects great credit on Hutchison and Koop on the Club right. These two, with no previous practice together showed a wonderful understanding of each other's play. In fact, Hutchison's great run through which included a spectacular swerve and dummy thus letting Koop in, was one of the finest pieces of work in the whole game. This is by far the best game the centre has played since his arrival in the Colony. Mescock and Massey (both of H.M.S. "Hermes") justified their selection, and their effectiveness speaks volumes for the hard marking of Lamfiet and Goldman, who were responsible for seeing that their efforts were not materially rewarded.

Inability to Convert

A very noticeable feature of the game was the inability of either side to convert. Counting a couple of fairly comfortable "freezes," seven goal-kicks

were taken in all, and none was successful. In the case of Goldman, who, by the way, was responsible for many brilliant moves, my impression is that a modicum of steady and assiduous practice might lead to improvement, and my advice is that he get down to this before leaving for Shanghai.

With reference to the two packs I think the honours must this time go wholeheartedly to the Club. McLean's men were heavier and obviously in better condition; so that the energy and speed of the civilian eight were fully required from start to finish. As I said above, they played themselves to a standstill.

A word of praise is undoubtedly due to Stock, the Club reserve, who justified his inclusion. He is to be commended on being up with the ball the whole way through and spared himself not the slightest in the fight.

This is the first game this season that I have felt, convinced that the Club forwards were all pushing, and not, in too many cases, merely lying against the scrum, hoping for a chance to break up and indulge in more showy but less remunerative three-quarter tactics.

Able Refereeing

The refereeing was ably carried out by Captain Deakin who is to be congratulated on a masterly control of what at times was, to say the least, an extremely hard and closely fought struggle. I noticed he was nearer the ball a great deal oftener than last time I saw him officiate, and what he did not see in the fight could well be allowed to pass unnoticed.

This win for the Club in the first match of the Navy-Army-Civilian Cup series gives the last named a very valuable lead in the competition. I don't see how the Navy can improve their side with the talent at present at their disposal. The six men brought in to strengthen the "Cornwall" side were one and all valuable additions, and the return game may easily bring the two well-matched fifteen level again.

It is to be hoped that the Army, who have been a bit slack this season, will get together and let us see their XV in action. I don't, for a moment, expect them to win a match; but surely the game's the thing; and, in past years, the Navy and Club have never been guilty of waiting till they had a sure win before fielding a side in this interesting annual competition.

Dates Fixed

Since penning the above I have been informed that January 4 has been set aside for the Army-Navy Cup match, and January 11 for the Army-Club. I trust that the Army XV will be able to fulfil these fix times. Then a really sterling game will take place on Saturday of this week, January 4, when once again the "Cornwall" and the Club will try conclusions. This is the third time these teams have met this season, and the Club will go all out to avenge two defeats. However, I hear the "Cornwall" feel they have lost Saturday's score to wipe off, and I am certain neither side will spare themselves in the slightest degree. Those who go to Happy Valley will witness a close and exciting struggle.

C.R.C. TENNIS

Local Champion Loses The Title

M. W. Lo, the Colony's tennis champion, suffered a surprising defeat in the Singles Championship of the Chinese Recreation Club, when Luk Ding-cheung won after being two sets down. The scores were 3-6, 0-6, 6-4, 6-4, 8-6. Other first round results are:

Iu Tak-cheuk beat Mok Hing-sang

BOXING

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INTERNATIONAL RUGBY

FRANCE BEATS SCOTLAND IN WILDLY EXCITING GAME

A FOUR-POINT VICTORY

Paris, Yesterday.
A crowd of 30,000 watched the first Rugby International match of the season here to-day, when France beat Scotland by 7 points (1 dropped goal; 1 try) to 3 points (1 try).

The game was fiercely contested throughout. The players, however, exercised great self-control, despite the prevailing excitement. Blossas barged from five yard scrum and scored a try for France. After twenty minutes Simmers took a difficult bouncing ball from MacPherson and scored in the corner; Allan failed to convert.

A minute before time Magnanou, who was the man of the match, dropped a magnificent goal amidst scenes of wildest enthusiasm, cushions and hats soaring into the air as the whistle sounded—Reuter.

8-6, 6-1, 6-0.

Ng Sze-kwong beat Luk Kang

cheung 6-1, 6-3, 7-5.

Ho Ka-lau beat Leung Sai-wah 6-2,

6-1, 6-1.

F. H. Kwok beat W. P. Tsui, 3-0,

4-6, 6-4, 6-6.

Cheung Wing-hin beat Tso Woon-

kan 6-3, 4-6, 6-4, 6-6, 6-0.

Lau Man-kwong beat H. Y. Ho 6-3,

8-6, 7-5.

Cheng Chi-wing beat Iu Tak-lam 6-2,

6-3, 6-1.

M. K. Lo beat Yew Man-ki 6-1,

6-1, 6-4.

So far the second round results

are:—

M. K. Lo beat Cheng Chi-wing 13-11,

7-5, 8-6.

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World News In Pictures

Prominent Chinese And German Merchants At Dinner.



A dinner was given by the Chinese section of the Verein Deutscher Ingenieure in honour of the president, the director and prominent members of the Verein Deutscher Ingenieure, during their short stay in China, after taking part in the World Engineering Congress in Tokyo as leaders of the German Delegation. A number of well-known Chinese merchants were also present.—(Ah Fong).

Cupid Floors Noted Boxer



Vincent Lazzaro, who is making a ring reputation in the welter rank under the name of Vince Dundee and brother of Joe Dundee, is shown leaving St. Vincent's Church, New York, with his bride, the former Miss Constance Rossi, of Newark, N.J.

Settlers From Slovakia



Frantisek and Anna Merz, aged eight and ten, arrived bag and baggage in the New World, of which they have dreamed for weeks only to find that their father was not at the dock to meet them as arranged before they left Prague. They were met by the Traveller's Aid Society and placed on a train for Endicott, N.Y., their father's American home.

Flying With "Robot" Pilot



Without touching the controls since the take off at Dayton, Ohio, until they landed in Bolling Field, Washington, D.C. (left to right): Major A. H. Gillman, Elmer A. Sperry, Jr., and Lieutenant Hengenberger, who drove Dayton to Washington with an automobile, who has demonstrated its ability to keep a true course.

Weds Diplomat



Mrs. Anne Von Ahlstrand Ely, pretty thirty-nine-year-old widow, was married in the historic Plymouth Church to Bainbridge Colby. Colby is internationally known as an attorney and diplomat and was Secretary of State in Woodrow Wilson's cabinet.

Irish Minister Injured



Michael McWhite, Irish Free State Minister to the United States, who was struck by a "hit and run" motorist in Washington.

Three Western Pioneers



Here they stand on the bank of the famous lake, Tom Wilson, (left), discovered. They are Mr. Wilson, first white man to set eyes on what is probably the most beautiful body of water in North America, Lake Louise; Mrs. John McDougall, first white woman in southern Alberta, and widow of famous pioneer missionary of that province; and Ralphine Harvey, first white girl born at Lake Louise, standing between the two. This unique picture of three Alberta pioneers was taken recently on the shores of Lake Louise.

Soviet's Mounted Constabulary



The city of Khrustaly, Russia, has no crime wave since they turned over the police department to the fair sex. Above are shown two of the "girls in blue" who are in the mounted police contingent, learning to ride their steeds.

First Boer Minister To U.S.



Eric Hendrick Louw, First Minister of South Africa to the United States, called at the State Department to see Secretary of State Stimson.

Dominican President



Hon. Horacio Vazquez, President of the Republic of Santo Domingo, is helped from his automobile upon his arrival in Baltimore. The distinguished official was brought in an aeroplane from Santo Domingo to undergo a surgical operation.

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FIRE IN SHANGHAI THEATRE

BLAZING WHILE AUDIENCE
WATCHES TALKIE FILM
STRANGE OUTBREAK

While hundreds of Shanghai's theatre-going public were enjoying the talkie "The Cocoanuts" at the Capital Theatre on Sunday night last, the Shanghai Fire Brigade was busily engaged in putting out a fire in the central heating plant a few feet away from them, and it was not until the show ended, a few minutes after 11 p.m., that any of the audience knew anything was happening.

Two machines from Central Station answered the call about 10 p.m., and found that flames had broken out in a room just above the basement in which the boilers and furnaces of the plant, which serves the whole Shammoon Building, are situated. The fire came up from the basement and goes through this room, and part of the dressing rooms above. Two of its sides touch the sides of the ground floor room at one corner, and it was between the side of the flue and the side of the room wall that the fire was creeping slowly up.

As soon as it was realised that everything was not right, the watchman on the premises summoned the Fire Brigade and at the same time ordered the fires in the furnaces below to be drawn. The firemen commenced operations by breaking in through the edge of the flue where it touches a wall, and pouring in a small stream of water. A few minutes later they cut through into the chamber of the flue itself, but found that this helped them not at all.

What was actually on fire was some woodwork between the flue and the walls of the room, but how it caught on fire, in spite of careful insulation as is now used on modern buildings, is still uncertain. The fire proved very awkward for the Brigade, as it was hard to get at, and actually very little water was poured on it at the start. Added to this was the knowledge that slow smouldering might carry on possibly to all the floors above, and also that an audience, at the time in no immediate danger, was thoroughly enjoying a film in the theatre. There was no need to give them any alarm whatsoever, but just wait until they came out before making a thorough examination of the part of the theatre near the flue, and so the Brigade just possessed its soul in patience.

A turn-table escape from Central Station stood by while the firemen were slowly knocking pieces out of the wall of the flue, ready to lay lines of hose to upper storeys should occasion arise. Few people resident in the building knew that anything was amiss, and it was amusing to observe a grey-headed gentleman who came down in the lift from the residential flats above. He walked out of the lift, opened the door on to the street, and stood there for what is probably his customary few seconds to sniff the air and draw on his gloves; suddenly, however, his jaw dropped and he stood still, rigid with surprise to see fire engines standing in the street.

Shortly before midnight, two hours after the Brigade started work, the seat of the fire was located and efforts were concentrated upon this spot, below the floor of wash-room of the theatre dressing rooms. Progress was slow, as firemen had to wield heavy sledge hammers to break up the concrete floor before they could get at the flames, which were also tackled from the ceiling of the ground floor room where the fire was discovered. In addition, an opening was made in the ceiling of the exit passage of the theatre running on to Museum Road.

It was well after midnight before the fire appeared to have been checked, and firemen kept at their posts to watch for further outbreaks. So serious did the possibilities appear that one of the staff of the architect responsible for the building was summoned to aid the Fire Brigade officers with what he knew of detailed structural work at the seat of the blaze. Officers at the fire were Deputy Chief Officer H. G. Reed, Fourth Officer W. Charters, Assistant Station Officer Harcourt and Sub-Officer R. Wallace.

Love-sick Nephew.—"Uncle, what's the best way of finding out what she thinks of me?"
Bachelor Uncle.—"Marry her, my boy."

TUESDAY'S SOLUTION

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GABY DESLYS' WILL IN DISPUTE

PEARLS ATTRACT CLAIMANTS
FROM MANY PARTS
TEN ALLEGED MOTHERS

Paris, December 6. Her old mother, the municipality and poor of Marseilles, a certain Navratil family of Hungary, and a dozen other claimants to relationship around the world are going to contest, within the next few months, the great fortune of pearls and property left by the late Gaby Deslys, of the variety stage. It is 10 years since Gaby Deslys died and was buried at Marseilles, but the fortune which she amassed has never been distributed. In her will, she left a few mementoes to her American dancing partner, Harry Pilcer, a fixed income to her mother, and the rest to the city and the poor of Marseilles.

Gaby's mother contested the will, especially that part which gave her palatial villa to the city. The mother wanted that as a roof over her own head until her death, but the courts appear determined to carry out the dancer's will to the letter.

The great strings of pearls have long ago been broken up. Gaby was reputed to have the finest pearls in the world, and they were the envy of many crowned heads. She spent years in patiently collecting her necklaces and collars, her admirers spending vast sums to offer her, each one, a single pearl of the rarest colour and size. Upon her death, the collars were cut up. To each of her best friends she willed a pearl, several of them going to Pilcer, for whom she always had great admiration. Most of the pearls rapidly found their way into the markets of Paris and London and the Deslys necklaces are to-day scattered around the world.

Mystery of Origin

There has always been something mysterious about the origin of the French dancer, and since her death scores of families around the world have claimed relationship. There are at least ten women who claim to be the mother of the dancer, although there is no doubt in the minds of the court that Gaby's family name was Caire and that Madame Caire, now living in Marseilles, is her mother. The Navratil family of Hungary have banded together and sent a representative to Paris to bring suit for a share of the pearls and fortune. The family argue that the dancer's real name was Hedvig Navratil and that she was born in Halvan, Hungary, and started her dancing career in the Balkans, with her first great success at Lemberg, in Galicia. All the evidence they have to offer is a postcard, postmarked Lemberg, on which someone whom they claim was Gaby Deslys wrote:—"Your loving daughter."

Harry Pilcer will be called to the Marseilles court to testify, but there is little doubt in his mind that the Hungarian, like other families, has no claim. "Like all great artists, Gaby was bothered by impostors," Pilcer told the United Press. "I recall that at Vienna, on one of our tours, a woman, evidently demented, rushed on the stage and insisted that she was Gaby's sister. I never heard her speak of the Navratils, and it seems strange that, 10 years after her death, her supposed family should suddenly show some interest in her."—United Press.

CHAMPION COOKS

Austrian Team's Success
At Frankfurt

In the cookery competition between England, India, the United States, France, Germany, and Austria at the International Exhibition of Gastronomic Art at Frankfurt-on-the-Main, the Austrian team, consisting of nine leading cooks, was the winner. The Austrians received six golden crosses of honour and three prizes and diplomas of honour. The Viennese menu was unanimously declared to be excellent, and a leading German expert said that the Austrian table arrangement was the finest of the exhibition.

The special Viennese dishes were even more successful than the international courses prepared by the Austrians. They were all consumed each day by visitors to the exhibition by 2 p.m., though they ought to have lasted until 8 p.m. The Viennese food inspectors have invited them to the exhibition in London in January.

An Oklahoma City paper boastfully said that their Robin Hood Show was only a rowdier show than the one in London. "Many things can and do happen in forty years," was then a saying, and a Robin Hood Show was only a rowdier show than the one in London. "Many things can and do happen in forty years," was then a saying, and a Robin Hood Show was only a rowdier show than the one in London.

FAMOUS SCIENCE INSTRUMENTS

USED BY PIONEERS: REMARK-
ABLE SIMPLICITY
UNIQUE COLLECTION

The spread of dry rot has necessitated the reconstruction of the auditorium of the Royal Institution, London. During the period of upheaval the famous collection of scientific instruments invented by its great directors has been moved to the Science Museum at South Kensington, where an exhibition was opened by Sir William Bragg. This collection is probably the most marvellous of its kind in the world. It contains the simple coil with which Faraday discovered electromagnetic induction—the discovery from which electrical engineering developed. There are the original miners' safety lamps made by Davy, and Dewar's original "thermos" flasks. Nothing could be more instructive than the simplicity of these first inventions and the demonstration of the genius's power of obtaining profound results from simple devices.

In a short address, Sir William explained how Faraday was inspired by the belief that relations existed between seemingly unrelated phenomena, and how this inspiration is shown by the names of the relations he discovered, such as electro-magnetic induction, magneto-optics, electro-chemical equivalents, and so on. Throughout his life Faraday tried to discover experimental evidence of a connection between gravity and other natural forces. His last experiment was concerned with this problem. What would he have thought of Einstein's prediction of the bending of light by gravity and his successful discovery of this effect during eclipses of the sun and in observations from the stars?

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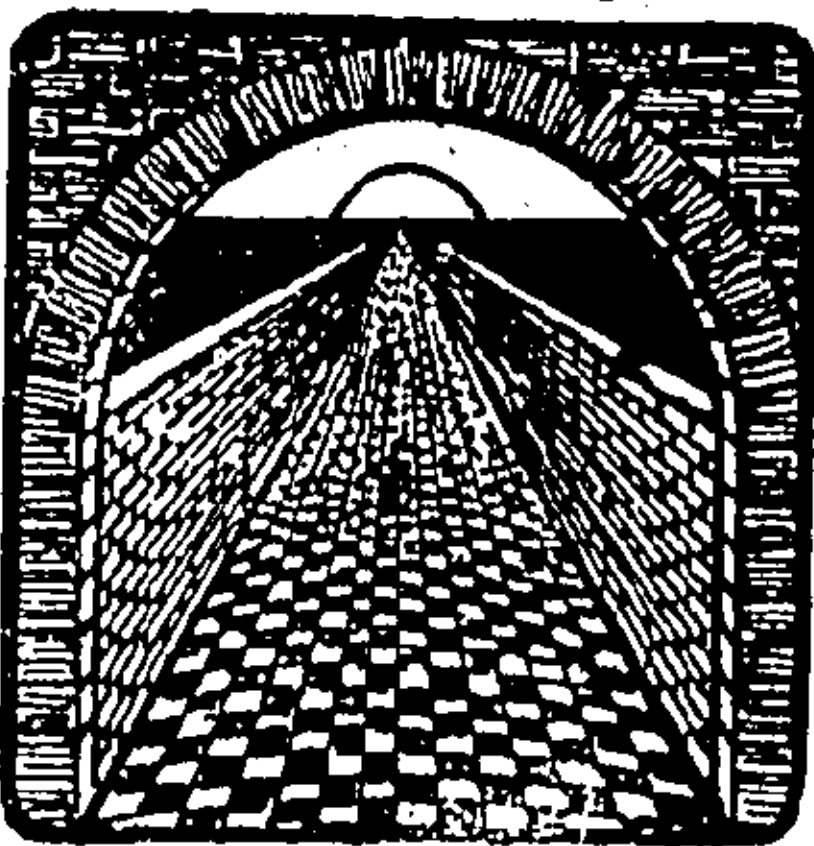
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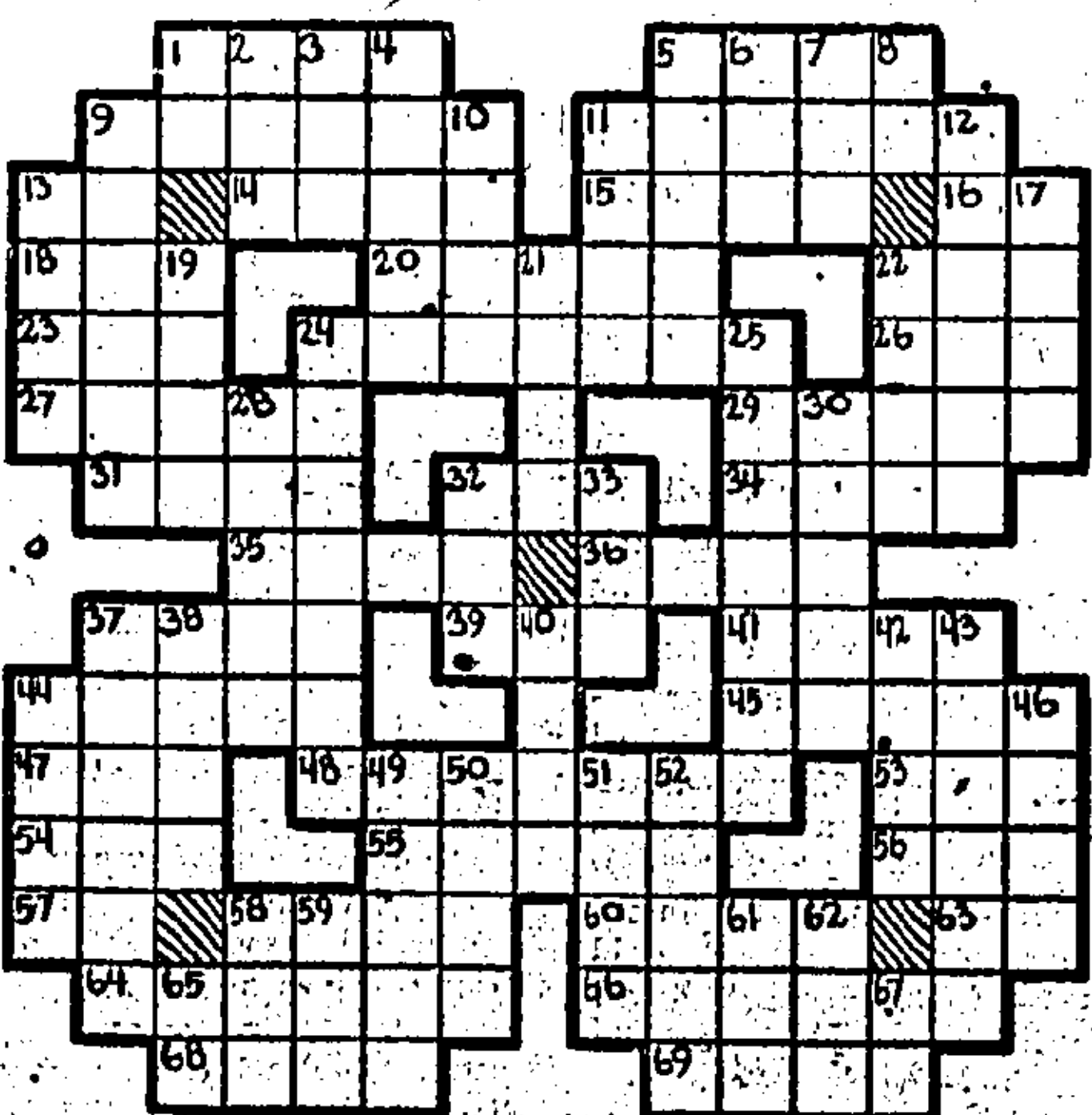
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but
our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic
spellings, such as harbor, place, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

1.—Raised by cultivation
6.—Crowd
9.—Large rock-forming
11.—Combining form.
12.—Earthquake
13.—Wine
14.—Mexican dollar
15.—Place of Napoleon's
first exile
16.—A degree (abbr.)
17.—To look, as from
20.—Amorous
22.—Revolution (abbr.)
23.—Friend (French)
24.—A commander (U.S.)
25.—Affirmative vote
27.—Cabin
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29.—Indicating a length
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HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

49.—Reduced to state of
extreme hunger
53.—Diminutive-forming
54.—A metal
55.—A viper
56.—Born (French)
57.—Printer's measure
58.—A lady
59.—Performs
60.—Province of Canada
61.—A constituent of white
flour
62.—Activity
63.—Lyric poems
64.—Engrave with acid
65.—A European country
(abbr.)
66.—Patriotic with cords
67.—A viper
68.—Open work
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VERTICAL (Cont.)

12.—Submitted
13.—Verbal
17.—A firm
18.—Twin
21.—Acid
22.—To run swiftly
23.—Patagonian daisy
25.—Races
26.—Garden daisy (Scott.)
30.—Go
32.—Wrath
33.—Bag
37.—Somewhat ill
38.—Precipitation
40.—Measure of length
42.—Very black
43.—Yield
44.—Top of head
45.—Drops
46.—Subsided
48.—Support of Arabia
51.—Knowledge (Him-
malayas)
52.—Tropical forest
53.—Marble (Brit.)
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A NEW YEAR RESOLUTION

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LUBRICATION

Ammonia Absorption System

Perhaps the simplest of any refrigerating systems from the viewpoint of lubrication is the ammonia absorption system. Here the lubrication of such pumps as are employed involves comparatively little difficulty.

As a rule, an oil of from 200 to 300 seconds Saybolt viscosity at 100 degrees Fahr. will serve to lubricate external bearings effectively.

Carbon Dioxide Compressors

From an operating and constructional point of view there is a decided similarity between both ammonia and carbon dioxide compressors.

The marked difference in pressures, however, often requires separate consideration in regard to lubrication.

For such machinery the lubricant should be a straight mineral oil having essentially the same characteristics as for a dry ammonia compression system; such as low pour test, and a viscosity ranging from 100 to 300 seconds Saybolt at 100 degrees Fahr., dependent upon operating conditions and the pressures involved.

Cylinder temperatures in a carbon dioxide compressor are usually somewhat higher than in an ammonia compressor, due to the higher pressures which will prevail.

It is interesting to know that mineral oil has no affinity for carbon dioxide, hence there is little or no possibility of its being carried over into the condenser unless it is atomized.

This latter is not likely to occur, however, when the oil is suited to the requirements, and the machine has been properly designed.

On the other hand, to insure against any oil whatsoever passing over into the system, an oil trap is usually installed in the discharge line from the compressor.

Stuffing boxes are built similar to those on a double-acting ammonia compressor, with the exception that the higher pressures involved require more compartments to prevent leakage.

Force-fed lubrication is the usual means provided for serving the piston rod and maintaining an adequate stuffing box seal. The same lubricator usually serves the compressor valves and piston as well. The feeding of a suitable amount of lubricant to the stuffing box prevents loss of gas.

The lubricator must be very carefully adjusted at all times, however, the same as for an ammonia machine, since the feeding of an excessive supply of oil will often result in a certain amount of its passing to the gas relief line and thence into the system.

Ethyl and Methyl Chlorides

Lubrication of ethyl and methyl chloride compressors is usually carried out with highly refined mineral oils, although chemically pure glycerine or ethylene glycol can also be employed. The former affords effective lubrication provided they are kept out of contact with the refrigerants when they are in liquid form.

Where such contact occurs, more or less solution will result. There is but little probability of this happening, however, if the compressors are properly designed and constructed. In vaporous state these refrigerants have but a slight tendency to dilute a petroleum product.

Glycerine and glycol are practically insoluble in both ethyl and methyl chlorides when these are in liquid form; therefore, they can be safely used in equipment where there may be probability of contact occurring between the refrigerant in liquid form and the lubricant.

Compressors of both the reciprocating and rotary types are used in systems employing these chemicals. In the former, the essential principles of splash lubrication are involved.

In rotary compressors the lubricant goes through a continuous cycle, passing first to the bearings at each end of the machine and thence via ducts to the bearing compartments. The rotor blades pick the lubricant up at this stage and carry it into the cylinders, from whence it is discharged with the compressed gas to the condenser and separator.

In the latter, the lubricant, being the heavier, is separated from the refrigerant. From the separator, it is again forced to the compressor, to begin the cycle anew. The flow of lubricant is noted by means of the sight feed equipment or bull-eyes which are generally installed in the circulating system.

Hydro-Carbon Refrigerants

In order to effectively lubricate compressors using hydro-carbon refrigerants, a lubricant must be selected that will be miscible in solution, as little as possible. Medium viscosity mineral oils of a high degree of refinement are suitable for such service, as are also certain glycerine blends such as glycol.

Sulphur Dioxide Machinery

Sulphur dioxide is another refrigerant whose machinery requires careful selection of the lubricant. Only the highest grade of mineral oil can be used, for like some other low pressure chemicals sulphur dioxide has a decided affinity for certain of the hydrocarbon components found in ordinary mineral lubricants. It is entirely possible to specially treat mineral oils of medium viscosity to remove the components particularly affected by sulphur dioxide, and render the residual oil quite satisfactory both to chemical reaction, and solubility with respect to the refrigerant.

On certain household refrigerating systems provision is made for removal of the lubricant that may have entered the system by means of a suitable separator, and the oil is then replaced by a fresh supply.

FORD CARS

Win Races In Contests Abroad

More reports of the marvellous performance and enduring qualities of the new Ford car continue to arrive at the Dearborn offices of the company from all parts of the world.

Ford cars won the first and fifth prizes in a 'Courier Race' staged by the Dolivideki Automobil Club in Szeged, an important city in Hungary just across the Jugo-Slavian boundary. Three other prizes were won by cars of foreign make. The 'Courier Race' is unique in that it sends automobiles over routes formerly travelled by horsemen. The strain on both driver and car is heavy. The cars are driven over broken ground, dikes, bogs, dry river beds and over poor dirt roads. At night the cars are driven without lights; at other times a signal to stop is given unexpectedly and the cars must be brought to a halt as quickly as possible.

The winner of the first prize was driven by Paul Kueses and obtained a maximum of 1,097 points. The nearest rival obtained 1,079 points, the next 1,054 and the fourth had 1,048. The Ford that took fifth place had 1,045 points.

Ford cars won six out of seven leading places in an important race held late in July at Seinajoki, Finland, near the east shore of the Gulf of Bothnia. The cars participating were all standard, and the only place not annexed by the Ford drivers was fifth. In a second race of ten kilometers, among specially trimmed racing cars, second place was won by one of the standard Ford cars that took part in the previous race, the only change being the removal of its fenders and windshield.

Among Ford owners, one of the most interesting reports of a long trip made in the Model A has been received from Leon Longumare, a real estate man of Brooklyn, New York. He started for the West Coast in his town sedan, when it only had 90 miles on its speedometer, and drove 8,709 miles before returning. The load carried included four men, whose combined weight was 680 pounds, a trunk on the rear, four heavy suitcases and other necessities.

In his letter Mr. Longumare says: "We made 8709 miles over some of the worst as well as the best roads in the country. No mountains were too high for this car to negotiate, no roads too bad. All weather conditions looked alike so far as the car was concerned."

"We went through snow in the Blue Mountains and extreme heat in the Mohave Desert. We crossed rushing torrents in New Mexico, where it had been raining every night for a week and the roads had been washed away in many places. Here the muddy water rushed over the radiator and left a deposit of mud on the engine—but we just hummed along."

A SHELL BOOKLET

The Shell Company has just produced a booklet which, apart from any advertising value, is well worth reading. The title is "Your Car and its Maintenance," and, although the preface indicates frankly that the object is to emphasise the worth of the products of the company, the booklet is most interesting, since the contents have been contributed by persons who are experts on the subjects with which they have dealt. The index is as follows:—Ball bearings, by C. H. Smith, A.M.I.Mech.E.; Hoffman Manufacturing Co., Ltd.; brakes, by F. J. Feld, Perodot, Ltd.; carburettors, by T. P. Seabright, M.I.A.E., A.F.R.A.S., M.S.A.E. H. M. Hobson, Ltd.; driving, Capt. Malcolm Campbell; electrical equipment, J. L. White, Joseph Lucas Research Laboratories; gearbox, by C. T. Beard, Beard and Fitch, Ltd.; lubrication of motor cars, by Oliver Thornycroft, Ricardo and Co., Engineers (1927) Ltd.; radiators, by F. Hepworth, Serck Radiators, Ltd.; steering mechanism, by Engr. A. C. Commander, F. G. Macrae, R.N., M.A., A.M.I.Mech.E., A.M.I.E.E., M.I.P.E., Marles Steering Co., Ltd.; sparking plugs, by Rex G. Mundy, Rolih Road Engineering Works, Ltd., manufacturers of K.L.G. sparking plugs; tyres, by Norman Walters, Dunlop Rubber Co., Ltd.

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Serving Ford In Australia

It is only natural that in so enterprising a country as Australia the Ford car should occupy a position of importance in the life of the Commonwealth. Ford activities, of course, extend around practically the entire globe, and in Australia, the aims and policies are identical with those obtaining in so many other parts of the globe; namely, to build up and maintain an organisation for the manufacture and distribution of Ford products that will be worthy of Ford traditions and ideals. That these objects have in a large measure been fulfilled is evidenced by the signal success in point of sales results and goodwill that have built up around the name of Ford throughout the entire Commonwealth. The basic policy is to produce for Australian consumption a unit which has as high a percentage of Australian content as is possible, having regard to the country's resources.

A recent article in The Australian Fordner states that it is doubtful whether many Australians realize the magnitude of the industry. To readers of Ford News the same information should be unusually interesting.

With the large manufacturing plant of the Ford Motor Company, at Geelong, and the assembly plants of the Ford Motor Company in five states with dealers in hundreds of Australian cities, towns and villages, it is representative in substance of that spirit of industrial progress which is characteristic of Australia to-day," said The Fordner.

"The establishment of the Ford organisation in Australia opened up fresh avenues of employment for Australian labour and a new market for Australian manufacturers, for wherever Ford factories are started, no matter in what part of the world, they at once become the nucleus around which gathers a prosperity that is never fleeting or haphazard."

In the first two years of operation the Ford companies spent £3,163,733 in the Commonwealth, including £580,570 in wages, £799,163 in Government Treasury and local rates and taxes, and £1,784,000 in building construction, freights, insurance, etc.

The manufacturing capacity of the Ford plants is 30,000 units per annum, and directly and indirectly the organisation maintains over 20,000 Australians, and there is hardly an Australian industry that does not contribute something to the building of Ford cars and trucks.

"Many of the dies used in the production of the new car were made in the machine shop of the company, and this in itself was a feat for Australian tool machine. In all, 538 dies were produced, and 125,000 tool hours were required in their creation. All the tool makers employed are experts and their work is greatly facilitated by the remarkable degree of accuracy to which the machines in the shop can be adjusted."

"A rigid system of inspection is maintained and each body part is closely inspected for flaws. In the event of an imperfection being discovered, the part is discarded. This system of inspection, also extends into the assembly plants of the motor company, for every car upon completion is placed in the hands of testers. These testers are entirely responsible for the condition in which the cars leave the plant, and before delivery is made each car is subjected to an exacting test and inspection."

To some extent, the progress of the Ford organisation in Australia has been retarded by industrial disputes, but the organisation has not been embroiled in any of these. The relations between their employees and the Ford organisation, being based as they are upon Ford policies and ideals, have always been, and are continuing to be, of the most harmonious nature."

HUNTING ON WHEELS

"A hunting we will go, in how the slogan of the motorist and the mechanism of the car is fast becoming an accomplished fact."

The opening of the hunting season last year has seen the car play a still bigger part in the ancient sport.

Riders arrive in their cars, while instead of the groans bringing the horses along on foot, as they used to, they accompany them in luxurious motorcars. Horse boxes or wheelers are a feature of every meet, and many hunts also have special dog vans which are fitted with many conveniences to ensure the comfort of the dog and the ease of the handler. The dog is usually carried in a special compartment, and the handler is seated in a comfortable seat, with a view of the dog and the hunt.

CAR NOISES

Some Pleasant And Otherwise

The music-hall comedian used to raise a hearty laugh with his remark about making "a noise like a fish." The modern equivalent is probably the "stop-on-the-kinema" organ marked "noise of motor car" (writes W.A.S.M. in the "Motor"). To most people, the noise of a car is merely a more or less distinct "rumble," while few of the general public can tell the difference between the noise of a commercial vehicle and a 7 h.p. car, or between a four-cylinder car and a one-cylinder motor cycle.

The musician finds untold pleasure in the clear, sweet note of the "E" string on a violin, or the deep, sombre note of a 32ft. stop in the organ. A decisive "click" delights the heart of the golfer as the ball flies dead on the pin, far down the fairway. The "pang" of ball on centre of racquet is music in the ear of a tennis enthusiast. Each sport and pastime has its own particularly pleasing sound.

Motorists are now compelled to avoid unnecessary noise, but fortunately no restriction has been placed on pleasing sounds. A rattling door catch is a noise; a well-fitting door with a good lock periodically closed at the slightest touch—a very pleasing sound.

Of all the noises associated with motoring, the most common is noise from the gearbox, either through poor changes or badly worn pinions, but the gearbox also gives pleasant sounds. There is the satisfactory "snap" as one double-declutches to third at 30 m.p.h. to pass another car, and the "click" as top gear is engaged after coasting down a long hill in neutral.

Best of all, perhaps, is the series of sounds as one climbs a fairly stiff gradient. On approaching the hill there is a decided "pop" on changing to third at the maximum speed possible on this gear, then the delightful exhaust "roar" of full throttle which gradually lessens as the incline grows more severe. Then the "snap" to second at exactly the most opportune moment, a businesslike "hum" from the gearbox, and more roar from the exhaust. Having breasted the hill, the gear lever goes from second to top with a light "click," third gear being unnecessary on the slight downward gradient.

Whine of a Super-Charger

The racing enthusiast and follower of the sport appreciates the growl of a Bugatti coviving up. The man in the street would call the "whine" of a supercharger a most annoying noise. When the average motorist drives a Rolls-Royce or a double-six I amlier for the first time, the "patter" of the tyres at 40 m.p.h. or 50 m.p.h. is a most pleasing sound. And although the almost uncanny silence of the engine is a tribute to the efficiency and success of the automobile engineer, the patter of the tyres is sometimes classified as a noise rather than as a pleasant sound.

Some engine starters perform their work in ghostly fashion. In the garage one may carelessly rest a knee or elbow against the instrument board and so close the switch accidentally; quite a lot of current has been used up in this way when the movements of other cars in the vicinity have made it impossible to detect the slight noise made by the starter. But the Bendix drive does not hesitate to indicate the closing of the switch; immediately the button is pressed, accidentally or otherwise, there is a convincing proof of a fully charged battery. As the pinion engages, a distinctly efficient sound proves that the starter system is in good tune.

On starting from cold, the economical motorist does not like his engine to run smoothly and silently. A certain amount of "spitting" in the carburettor indicates that the mixture is set for efficient and economical running with a warm engine, and that if there were no spitting when cold, the mixture would be too rich for ordinary driving—a waste of petrol. If he attempts to open the throttle too wide, the spitting reminds him at once that a cold engine should not be run all-out, and therefore, in his eyes, spitting may be counted a pleasing sound.

There are pleasing sounds in the garage. Grass does sweetly through a nipple and "squiches" into the bearing beyond. When applying the amp, the dirty oil comes out with a "pop," as the plug is removed, whilst new lubricant "rattles" down the oil pipe. As the garage door is closed after a long day's run, there may be heard the curious sound of metal contracting as it cools down, and found and water falling from wings and running boards to the large floor. Up and down far and near, the car is the most pleasing sound.



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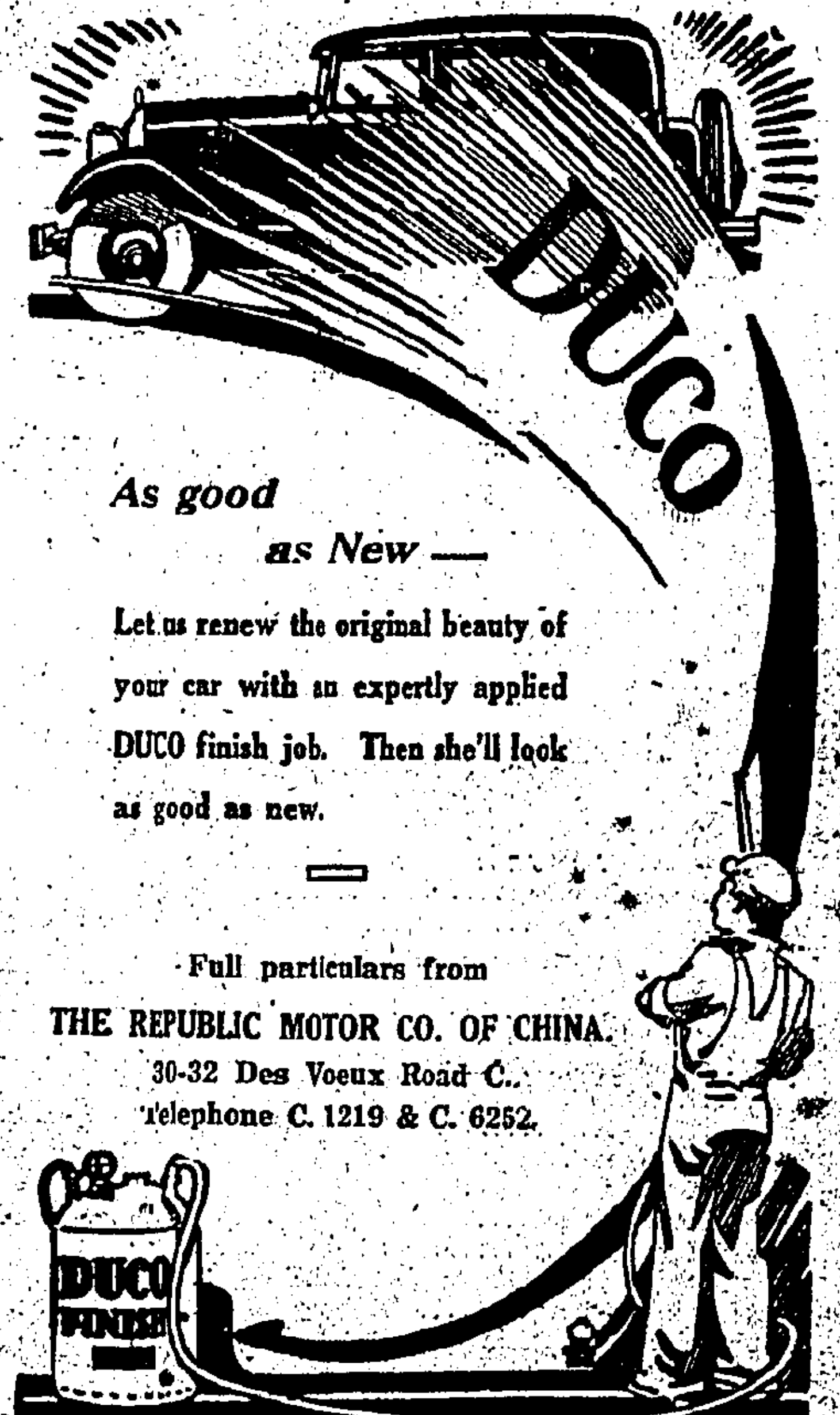
The contract, with spare parts, involves more than £4,000,000. Mr. Gordon Stewart controls the distribution of Morris products in the London area.

He stated:—"On the eve of the Olympia Show, this marks the beginning of a new era in British car sales and reveals what progress British cars are making against foreign competition. I have every confidence that we shall require, not only the 15,000 cars called for in this contract, but also that it may be necessary for me to increase the contract later."

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Up to January 5, radiotelegrams conveying New Year Greetings will be accepted for transmission to Canada and the United States of America. For rates and other particulars apply to the Radiotelegraph Office.

List of vessels to be expected in wireless communication with Hong Kong Radio:- Aramemnon, Texas, Lian, Claus Rickmers, Eian Maru, and Haining.

INWARD MAILS

From	THURSDAY, JANUARY 2	Per
Shanghai and Amoy		Kanchow
Manila		Empress of Canada
U.S.A. (Seattle, Dec. 14), Japan & Shanghai President Jackson		
Europe via Suez (Letters & Papers, London, Dec. 5, and parcels Nov. 28)		Mantua
Japan and Shanghai		Rajputana
MONDAY, JANUARY 6		
Australia and Manila		Nellors
Manila		President Pierce

OUTWARD MAILS

For	THURSDAY, JANUARY 2	Per
Straits and Calcutta		Tacoma Maru
Amoy		Tean
Swatow		Hydrangea
Manila		Malayan Maru
*Straits, Memba, Lourenco Marques and South Africa		Kamakura Maru
Holhow and Bangkok		Bintang
FRIDAY, JANUARY 3		
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow		Halyang
Manila, Sandakan, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island		

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles

K.P.O. Jan. 3, 4.30 p.m. Jan. 3, 5 p.m. Jan. 4, 9 a.m. Jan. 4, 9.45 a.m. Jan. 4, 10 a.m. Jan. 4, 10.30 a.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4

Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia

Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, C. & W. America via San Francisco

Shanghai and Europe via Siberia

LOCAL BOXING ON SATURDAY

2 10-ROUND WELTERWEIGHT CONTESTS

EX-GUARDSMAN TO FIGHT

The full programme of the Hong Kong Boxing Association's tournament at the Theatre Royal on Saturday night is now announced as follows:-

15 rounds Middleweight Championship of the Colony:- A.B. Ewin (H.M.S. "Kent") v. Jack Crichton (H.M.S. "Cornwall").

10 rounds Welterweight contest:- Stoker Godden (H.M.S. "Cornflower") v. Marine Fraser (H.M.S. "Tamar").

10 rounds Welterweight contest:- A.B. Hall (H.M.S. "Hermes") v. Stoker Sacker (H.M.S. "Cornwall").

6 rounds Bantamweight contest:- A.B. Rawlings (H.M.S. "Hermes") v. A.B. Morrissey (H.M.S. "Cornwall").

6 rounds Light-heavyweight contest:- Sgt. Hay (H.K. Police) v. Stoker Irwin (H.M.S. "Kent").

In addition to the main event between Ewin and Crichton, which will prove to be a great "draw", there are two 10-round welterweight contests.

Fraser is an old favourite in Hong Kong and won at the last tournament. His opponent, Godden, has boxed many men of Ewin's calibre and has done so with success.

Hall has done well in Manila and Sacker has shone in Shanghai, where he was highly-praised.

The bantamweights are promising lads. And, in the light-heavyweight contest, a former Guardsman in Sergeant Hay of the H.K. Police will appear.

IDLE JEWS & ARABS

Unemployment Lower In Palestine

Rugby, Yesterday.

The Colonial Office issues a statement showing a satisfactory reduction of unemployment in Palestine. During the month of October unemployment among both Jews and Arabs decreased, notwithstanding the fact that nearly 800 working men and women entered the country. At the end of the month it was estimated there were 700 Jews without employment, most of whom claim to belong to the building trades. About half of this number stated they had lost their employment in consequence of the recent disturbances. The total number of Arabs unemployed at the end of October was estimated to be 1,000, of which more than a third belonged to the building trades. In October, 1928, the figures were 1,400 and 2,500 for Jewish and non-Jewish unemployed respectively. — British Wireless Service.

NEW YEAR SOCCER AT HOME

BIG SCORES IN DIVISION I. AND NORTHERN SECTION

11 GOALS AT DARLINGTON

League football at Home yesterday was noteworthy for the heavy scoring in Division I. and in the Northern section. In the topmost circle two clubs playing before their own supporters ran up seven each, — old one of the Northern teams. Darlington, however, had a bag of eight but their visitors, South

THE KING AND CHINA

New Year Greeting to the Republic

London, Yesterday. Replying to New Year greetings from President Chiang Kai-shek, H.M. the King cabled: "With much pleasure I received your kind message of New Year greetings on behalf of the National Government and the people of the Republic of China, and I sincerely reciprocate your good wishes." — Reuter.

Shields, brought the total up to 11. The Scottish League was full of interest and further games are being played to-day.

London, Yesterday. League football results (home club mentioned first throughout) are as follow:-

TUESDAY

Division III. (South)

Northampton 2 Newport

NEW YEAR'S DAY

Division I.

Blackburn 7 Middlesbrough 0
Bolton 7 Huddersfield 1
Manchester City 3 Wednesday
Sheffield United 4 West Ham
Sunderland 3 Burnley 3

Division II.

Barnsley 1 Chelsea 1
Bury 0 Blackpool 1
Charlton 2 Wolverhampton 1
Oldham 5 West Bromwich 0

Division III. (South)

Fulham 4 Swindon 1

Division III. (North)

Accrington 7 Carlisle 2
Chesterfield 2 Rochdale 0
Darlington 8 South Shields 3
Hartlepool 5 Rotherham 1
New Brighton 1 York 1
Southport 0 Barrow 2
Stockport 1 Lincoln 1
Wigan 2 Crewe 2

KOWLOON FOOTBALL CLUB

ANNUAL CHARITY GALA A GREAT SUCCESS

FANCY DRESS "SOCCER"

The Kowloon Football Club held their Annual Charity Gala yesterday morning at their ground in Chatham Road.

The arrival of "Circumference du Tong" and "Lady du Tong" marked the opening, and the fun started with the Married v. Single Football Match, both teams being in Fancy Dress. The result was a draw, 4 goals each.

During the interval of this match, spectators were given abundant thrills; a motor-cycle football match filling in the spare minutes. The result was a win for the H.K.V.D.C. (Motor Cycle Section) over a team captained by Capt. Howard of the Somerset Light Infantry. The latter team were however, were two men short for the major part of the time. W. Borrowman had the misfortune to crash through the railing at the end of the field and sustained a nasty cut on the nose.

S. C. Banks was responsible for the only three goals scored. At the conclusion of events Mrs. E. Cock presented souvenirs and prizes, and was the recipient of three hearty cheers.

The committee are to be congratulated upon the excellent programme and arrangements.

EGYPT'S POLICY

To Reach Honourable Agreement

Cairo, Yesterday. The Nationalist leader, Nuh Pasha, has formed a Cabinet, and takes the Premiership and Ministry of the Interior, and Wassef Pasha of the Foreign Ministry. In a letter to King Fuad, Nuh says that one of the principal objects will be to secure real independence for Egypt, and reach an honourable and stable agreement with Great Britain. — Reuter.

Scottish League (Div. I.)

Airdrie 1 Falkirk 2
Ayr 2 Queen's Park 5
Celtic 1 Rangers 2
Cowdenbeath 4 Dundee United 1
Dundee 0 Aberdeen 1
Hearts 1 Hibernians 1
Motherwell 1 Hamilton 1
Partick 3 Clyde 1
St. Johnstone 1 Morton 1
St. Mirren 3 Kilmarnock 1

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